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Claims

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

5 1. A wireless display circuit comprising:

a graphics processing circuit operatively coupleable to a frame buffer and operative to render graphics data based on rendering commands and to store rendered graphics data in the frame buffer;

a video decoder operatively responsive to a compressed video stream and operative to produce decoded video from the compressed video stream for display on a local display;

a short range wireless transmitter operatively coupled to the graphic processing circuit;

a data encoder operatively coupled to the frame buffer and to the short range wireless transmitter, operative to encode the rendered graphics data stored in the frame buffer and to recompress the decoded video; and

wherein the short range wireless transmitter transmits the encoded rendered graphics data and the recompressed decoded video.

- 20 2. The circuit of claim 1 including a blending circuit operative to blend rendered graphics data and the decoded video, prior to the data encoder recompressing the decoded video to produce image frames containing recompressed video with encoded graphics data.
- 25 3. The circuit of claim 1 wherein the data encoder includes a suitably programmed processor operatively coupled to the frame buffer via a local bus.
- The circuit of claim 3 wherein the suitably programmed processor carries out
 MPEG encoding on the rendered graphics data and on the decoded video to
 produce compressed image frames containing recompressed video with encoded

graphics data that are wirelessly transmitted by the short range wireless transmitter.

5. The circuit of claim 1 wherein the data encoder includes a hardware based data encoder resident on at least one of a same printed circuit board and same integrated circuit die as the graphics processing circuit.

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6.	A wireless display system comprising:
	a first unit having at least:
	a first local display;
	a first frame buffer;
	a graphics processing circuit operatively coupleable to a frame buffer and
	operative to render graphics data based on rendering commands and to store
	rendered graphics data in the frame buffer;
	a first video decoder operatively responsive to a compressed video stream
	and operative to produce decoded video from the compressed video stream for
	display on a first local display;
	a short range wireless transmitter operatively coupled to the graphic
	processing circuit;
	a data encoder operatively coupled to the frame buffer and to the wireless
	transmitter, operative to encode the rendered graphics data stored in the frame
	buffer and to recompress the decoded video; and
	wherein the short range wireless transmitter transmits the encoded
	rendered graphics data and the recompressed decoded video;
	a second unit having at least:
	a second local display;
	a second frame buffer;
	a short range wireless receiver responsive to the encoded rendered
	graphics data and recompressed decoded video; and
	a video decoder operatively coupled to the short range wireless receiver
	and to the second frame buffer and operative to produce decoded video from the

receiver from the received encoded rendered graphics data and recompressed decoded video for storage in the second frame buffer for display on the second local display.

The system of claim 6 wherein the video decoder includes a suitably programmed 7. processor operatively coupled to the second frame buffer via a local bus.

- 8. The system of claim 7 wherein the suitably programmed processor carries out MPEG decoding on the received encoded rendered graphics data and recompressed decoded video to produce decompressed image frames.
- 5 9. The system of claim 6 where in the video decoder includes a hardware based video decoder resident on at least one of a same printed circuit board and same integrated circuit die as the frame buffer.

10. A	A method for providing image data for a wireless display comprising the steps of
	processing rendering commands to produce rendered graphics image data
and stor	ing the rendered graphics image to a frame buffer;
	retrieving the rendered graphics image data from the frame buffer via a
local bu	s;
	encoding the retrieved rendered graphics image data to produce encoded
§	graphics image data; and
	sending the encoded graphics image data to a short range wireless receive
using a	short range wireless transmitter.
11.	The method of claim 10 including the steps of:
	decompressing a compressed video stream to produce a decompressed
video st	ream;
	recompressing the decompressed video stream to produce a recompressed
video st	ream; and
	wherein the step of sending the encoded graphics image includes sending the
recomp	ressed video stream using the short range wireless transmitter.
12.	The method of claim 11 including the steps of:
	combining the rendered graphics image data [overlayed] with the
	decompressed video stream to produce frames of image data
	storing the frames of image data in the frame buffer prior to the step of
	recompressing; and
	retrieving the frames of image data for the step of recompression.

- 13. The method of claim 10 including the step of locally displaying the rendered graphics image data on a local display.
- 14. The method of claim 10 including the steps of:

receiving, via a short range wireless receiver, a compressed video stream containing graphics data and recompressed video;

decompressing the received compressed video stream and producing decompressed image frames; and

displaying the decompressed image frames on a local display.

15. A method for providing image data for a wireless monitor comprising:
processing rendering command using a first processor to produce rendered
graphics image data and storing the rendered graphics image data to a frame buffer;
retrieving the rendered graphics image data from the frame buffer over a local bus
using a second processor;
encoding, by the second processor, the retrieved rendered graphics image data to
produce encoded graphics image data; and
sending the encoded graphics image data to a wireless monitor using a short range
wireless transmitter.
16. The method of claim 15 including the steps of:
decompressing a compressed video stream to produce a decompressed
video stream;
recompressing the decompressed video stream to produce a recompressed
video stream; and
wherein the step of sending the encoded graphics image includes sending the
recompressed video stream using the short range wireless transmitter.
17. The method of claim 16 including the steps of:
combining the rendered graphics image data [overlayed] with the
decompressed video stream to produce frames of image data
storing the frames of image data in the frame buffer prior to the step of
recompressing; and
retrieving the frames of image data for the step of recompression.

- 18. The method of claim 15 including the step of locally displaying the rendered graphics image data on a first local display.
- 19. The method of claim 15 including the steps of:

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receiving, via a short range wireless receiver, a compressed video stream containing graphics data and recompressed video;

decompressing the received compressed video stream and producing decompressed image frames; and

displaying the decompressed image frames on a second local display.

The method of claim 15 including the step of wirelessly sending drawing 20. commands to a short range wireless receiver.

21.	A method for providing image data for a wireless monitor comprising;
	decompressing a compressed video stream to produce a decompressed video
stream	from the compressed video stream;

storing frames from the video graphics stream in a frame buffer; recompressing the stored frames; and wirelessly transmitting the recompressed frames using a short range wireless

transmitter.

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- 22. The method of claim 21 including the step of locally displaying the frames on a first local display.
- 23. The method of claim 21 including the steps of:

 receiving, via a short range wireless receiver, the recompressed frames;

 decompressing the received recompressed frames and producing

 decompressed image frames; and

displaying the decompressed image frames on a second local display.